

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 33**

February 3, 2009

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires written notice be given to a parent explaining the consequences should the court find he or she willfully failed to support or willfully failed to visit the child. Requires that a petition to terminate parental rights include a verified statement that the child will be placed in the guardianship of others who shall have the right to adopt or place the child for adoption and the parent will have no further right to notice of adoption proceedings.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant**

Assumptions:

- The state trial and appellate courts will incorporate language into custody, support, and visitation orders giving notice of the consequences should a parent willfully fail to support or willfully fail to visit his or her child. The change to these orders will not have a significant fiscal impact on judicial resources.
- There will be no impact to the Department of Children's Services.

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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